

Notices to Consignees.

BRITISH BARK DARTMOUTH,
FROM LONDON.

THE above-named Vessel having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 7, 1878.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. CITY OF PEKING, from San Francisco and Yokohama, are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 17, 1878.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per German Bark MANILA II, GUYER, Master, from HAMBURG, are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside the Vessel. Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
WM. PUSTAU & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 5, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

S. S. IRAOUADY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship "INDUS" from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-morrow, the 18th Inst., at 11 a.m., requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Saturday, the 26th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUEY,
Agent.

Hongkong, August 17, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUEY,
Agent.TE 1644, Mr L. Thevenin, } from
" 1 case ink, } Marseilles.

Ex "Amazona."

B No. 419/21 Order, 15 Cases } from
Wine, } Marseilles.

Hongkong, July 27, 1878.

For Sale.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING
COMPANY, LIMITED.

THIS REFINERY MANUFACTURES

LOAF SUGAR, (in 5, 10, and 15 lbs.
leaves.)
CUBE SUGAR (Lyle's Patent).
CRYSTALLIZED SUGAR, mark O. S. R.
(in diamond) 4 lbs.
FINE WHITE SUGAR, mark O. S. R.
(in diamond) 4 lbs.
MEDIUM WHITE SUGAR, mark O. S. R.
(in diamond) 4 lbs.
FINE YELLOW SUGAR, mark O. S. R.
(in diamond) 4 lbs.
COFFEE SUGAR, mark O. S. R.
(in diamond) 4 lbs.
GOLDEN SYRUP, STYRUP, and
MOLASSES.SPIRITS OF WINE and LAMP SPIRIT.
RUM, 45°, 80° O. P. and Naval.
ANIMAL CHARCOAL and DUST.
AMMONIACAL LIQUOR, from Bones.
BONE TAR (a preventive of white ants).
ROUGH BONE TALLOW.Packed in Quantities and Packages to suit
Customers.Particulars and Prices on application to
THE MANAGERS,
CHINA SUGAR REFINING Co., Limited,
East Point,
Hongkong.

March 6, 1878.

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE
CANTONESE DIALECT. Parts I.
and II. A to M, with Introduction. Royal
8vo, pp. 404. By ERNEST JOHN BIEHL,
Ph.D. Tubingen.Price: Five Dollars, or Two Dollars
and a Half per Part.To be had from Messrs LAY, CHAMBERLAIN
& Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs
KELLY & WAUGH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

WASHBURN'S BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)
WASHBURN'S BOOKS, for the use
of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now
ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

Intimations.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COM-
PANY, LIMITED.ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR
1877.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Com-
pany are requested to furnish the
Underigned with a List of their Contri-
butions for the year ending 31st December
last, in order that the proportion of the Net
Profits to be reserved for Contributors may
be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to
the 31st October next will be adjusted by
the Company, and no claims or alterations
will be subsequently admitted.

JAS. B. COUGHTRE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR
1877.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Office
are requested to furnish the Under-
signed with a List of their Contribution
for the year ending 31st December, 1877,
in order that the distribution of the Profit
reserved for Contributors may be arranged.
Returns not rendered prior to the 31st
August next, will be adjusted by the Office,
and no Claims or Alterations will be sub-
sequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, July 12, 1878.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR
1877.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Com-
pany are requested to furnish the Under-
signed with a List of their Contributions
for the year ending 31st December
last, in order that the distribution of the
Profits reserved for Contributors may be
arranged. Returns not rendered prior to
the 31st October next, will be adjusted by
the Company, and no Claims or Alterations
will be subsequently admitted.

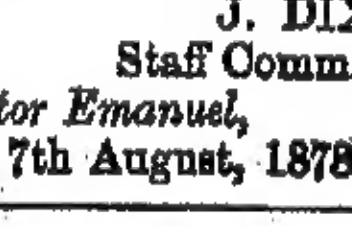
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

No. 158.
GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.The Following Notice to MARINERS
is published for general information.
By Command,
J. M. PRICE,
Acting Colonial Secretary.Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 10th August, 1878.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Notice is hereby given that a dangerous
rocky patch exists in the fairway into MIRA
Bay.

The following Magnetic bearings are from
it:—Fung Head,.....N. 16° W.
South end of Basalt Island, N. 87° W.
East Ninepin Rock and
South part of South, S. 55° W.
Ninepin in line,.....North-east Head Tamkai, S. 25° W.
This patch, about 40 feet long by 30 feet
broad, extends in a North-east direction
with 8 fathoms of water on it at low water
springs and 15 fathoms close to.J. DIXON,
Staff Commander, R.N.H. M. S. Victor Emanuel,
Hongkong, 7th August, 1878.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

SALE OF THE OPIUM FARM.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TEN-
DERS for the PRIVILEGE OF
PREPARING and SELLING PREPAR-
ED OPIUM within the Colony for the
Term of One, Two, or Three Years from
the 1st of March, 1879, under the Provisions
of Ordinance No. 2 of 1868 will be Received
at this Office until Noon on MONDAY, the
28th September, 1878.

Each Tender should specify the Monthly
Payment offered for the period above-
mentioned.The Government does not bind itself to
accept the highest or any Tender.Should the highest Tender be less than
the sum the Governor thinks a fair price
for the Opium Farm, His Excellency in
Council will grant Licenses direct under
Section 5 of the Ordinance, and take such
further steps as may be necessary to realize
a fair price.By Command, J. M. PRICE,
Acting Colonial Secretary.Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debts contracted by the Officers or Crews
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:—

FONTEFAY, British ship, Capt. G. B.
Taylor.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.
BERTIE BROWL, British ship, Captain
Jefferson.—Meyer & Co.
HAWTHORN, British barque, Captain C.
Mead.—Waller & Co.
ARABIA, British ship, Captain S. A. J.
Hansen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
GLAMORGANSHIRE, British ship, Captain
W. H. Blakes.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.
CENTINIAL, American ship, Captain J.
M. Rearse.—Butterfield & Swire.
BALCHART, British barque, Captain
Robert Kilmohnd.—Simmons & Co.

SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Carded Clothing, Boots, or
Purses will be cheerfully received
at the Sailors' Home, West Point.
Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr
EDWARD GUNNINGHAM in our
Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on
the 31st December last.

RUSSELL & Co.,
China, March 8, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Underigned begs to notify that
the MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA of
Tokio, Japan, has opened a Branch in this
Port, and the Underigned has been ap-
pointed their Agent in Hongkong.

HEROMIOH-SHUGIO.

Office No. 4 C, Club Chambers,
Hongkong, August 19, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the
late Mr J. J. dos REMEDIOS in
our Firm CEASED on the 31st July, 1878.
Mr AGOSTINHO GUILHERME, RO-
MANO and Mr ALEXANDRE ANTONIO
dos REMEDIOS have this Day been
admitted Partners therein.
Our Firm now consists of Mr J. H. dos
REMEDIOS, Mr A. G. ROMANO, and
Mr A. A. dos REMEDIOS.

J. J. dos REMEDIOS & Co.,
Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr
ARTHUR CHART in our Firm
CEASED on the 31st December last.

J. INGLIS & Co.,
Hongkong, June 13, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the
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our Firm CEASED on the 31st July, 1878.
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REMEDIOS, Mr A. G. ROMANO, and
Mr A. A. dos REMEDIOS.

J. J. dos REMEDIOS & Co.,
Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Under-
signed has LEASED the Chinese Mail
from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged
the services of Mr LEONG YOOK CHU,
as Translator and General Manager of the
newspaper, which under its new regime
will be found to be, as hitherto, an ex-
cellent medium for advertising, especially
as the Manager is able to devote his whole
attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM,
Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail,
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

To Let.

IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65,
formerly known as the Blue House,
situate on Praya East:—

FIRST FLOOR and BASEMENT of
No. 2, Praya East, either separately, or
together, as required, with immediate pos-
session.HOUSE No. 3, Praya East. The whole
House or in Flats, with
immediate possession.As also,
SIX SPACIOUS ROOMS, with Cor-
ridors and Out-houses in the DWELLING
HOUSE, to the Eastward of the Flat at
Wanchai. These may be had in Apart-
ments of Two or Three Rooms to suit con-
venience. Fine spacious Verandah looking
on the Harbour. Immediate Possession.As also,
FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS,
attached to Blue Houses at Wanchai,
MARINE LOT 65.For further particulars, apply to
MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 15, 1878.

TO BE LET.

TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED
GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10,
Praya Central.

Apply to
TURNER & Co.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

TO LET.

A THREE-STORYED DWELLING
HOUSE, No. 113, Queen's Road
East (Spring Gardens). Water laid on.

Apply to
D. NOWROJEE,
HONGKONG HOTEL.

Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

TO LET.

THREE OFFICES, in Club Chambers.
The BUNGALOW, No. 2, Shelley
St.

Apply to
DOUGLAS LAFFRER & Co.,
Hongkong, Aug. 18, 1878.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 8, Queen's Road Central,
with Godowns attached.

Houses No. 4, and 6, Seymour Terrace.

DAVID HASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

THE CHINA REVIEW

No. 1 OF VOL. VII.

WILL CONTAIN, AMONG OTHER ARTICLES,
The Chinese in Borneo.
Jottings from the Book of Rites.
The Character "Fah."
Sketches in the Life of K'ung Ming.
&c.China Mail Office,
Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

Entertainment.

CITY HALL,
HONGKONG.

ON MONDAY, THE 28TH AUGUST, 1878.
ONE NIGHT ONLY.

Under the Patronage of
His Excellency
JOHN POPE HENNESSY,
GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG,
MRS. HENNESSY,
AND SONS.

THE CELEBRATED TRAGEDIAN
MR. BOTTED FAIRLOUGH
AND
THE GIFTED YOUNG PRIMA DONNA
MISS ELOIA MAY
will give an
ENTERTAINMENT
OF
A HIGH CLASS CHARACTER
for
ONE NIGHT ONLY,
ON
MONDAY,
the 28th August, 1878,
Previous to leaving Hongkong.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:
Front Seats,.....\$2.
Back Seats,.....\$1.A Plan of the Hall can be seen at LANE,
CRAWFORD'S, where Seats can be secured.N.B.—No Ladies admitted unless accom-
panied by a Gentleman.

Full Particulars in future Advertisements.

DUNCAN MACALLUM,
Agent.

Hongkong, August 23, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL,
HONGKONG.

SATURDAY, August 24, 1878.

FIRST APPEARANCE
OF
The Highly Popular Prima Donna
MISS ELOIA MAY
as
THE GRAND DUCHESS.During the Evening
THE TALENTED YOUNG VIOLINIST
MISS AGNES DRÆGAR,
Will perform the Following
VIOLIN SOLOS:—LUCIA DE LAMMEOR,.....Domestic.
HOPE,.....Farmer.MISS ELOIA MAY,
as
THE GRAND DUCHESS,
FOR THIS NIGHT ONLY!MISS CLARA STANLEY,
IN HER GREAT PART
WANDA.Tickets to be had and Seats secured at
Messrs KAUZ & Co., where Plan of the
Theatre may be seen.

No Advance in Prices.

Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen
cannot be admitted.S. DE LILLE,
Manager.

Hongkong, August 23, 1878.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship
"YANGTZE,"
K. SCHULZE, Master, will
be despatched for the above
Port TO-MORROW, Saturday, the 24th
Instant, at 5 p.m.For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIMPSON & Co.

Hongkong, August 23, 1878.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

FOR COOKTOWN, SYDNEY AND
MELBOURNE, CALLING AT
PORT DARWIN.If sufficient inducement offers, and taking
Cargo and Passengers for all Aus-
tralian and New Zealand Ports,
TASMANIA and FIJI.The Australasian Steam
Navigation Co.'s Chartered
Steamship
"MECCA,"
A. McF. MORSE, Commander, will be
despatched as above on THURSDAY, the
5th Proximo, at Noon.For Freight or Passage, apply to
GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.,
Agents, A. S. N. Co.

Hongkong, August 23, 1878.

FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

The British Steamer
"KILLARNEY,"
Captain O'NEILL, will load
here for the above Ports, and
will have quick despatch.For Freight or Passage, apply to
HOP KEE.

Hongkong, August 23, 1878.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Aug. 23, Balgarry, British barque, 478
Robert Kimmond, Bangkok Aug. 3, Gen-
eral.—SIMPSON & Co.Aug. 22, Li OH, Chinese R. C., from a
Canton.Aug. 23, Charlot, French barque, from
Whampoa.Aug. 23, Douglas, British steamer, 564,
G. D. Pittman, Foochow Aug. 20, Amoy 21,
and Swatow 22, General.—DOUGLAS LA-
FFRER & Co.Aug. 23, Glatton, British steamer 1647,
Jaggers, Liverpool July 9, via ports ofcall, and Singapore Aug. 17, General.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

DEPARTURES.

Aug. 23, Malina, for Vunglam.

23, Alice D. Cooper, for Vancouver's
Island.

23, Amoy, for Shanghai.

23, Cheong Hock Kian, for Swatow.

23, Bentel, for London, &c.

CLEARED.

S. Vaughan, for Callao.

Fentonage, for Nagasaki.

Blanco Fertia, for Nagasaki.

Conquest, for Hoihow.

Bua-Cao, for Newchwang.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Douglas, from Coast Ports, Captain
Vincent, 1 Sister of Mercy, 3 Europeans
dock, and 65 Chinese.Per Glatton, from Singapore, &c., Mr
Playfair, and 117 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Amoy, for Shanghai, 45 Chinese.

Per Cheong Hock Kian, for Swatow, and
Amoy, about 400 Chinese.Per Bentel, for London, 1 European,
and 2 Distressed Seamen.

TO DEPART.

Per Pekin, from Yokohama for Batavia,
Mr J. C. Reg.—From Shanghai: for Brin-
disi, Mr O. Thaschek; for Galle, Mr Church.From Hongkong: for Singapore, Capt.
T. O. Dempster, 28th Regt., Mr Balfour
and servant; for Madras, Private Verda
Rayaloo; for Southampton, Dr and Mrs
W. H. Elmes and infant, Messrs D.
Brizle, and J. F. Mayer.Per Conquest, for Hoihow and Halphong,
40 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British barque Balgarry reports:
Light winds throughout the whole passage.The British steamer Douglas reports: Left
Foochow August 20th, Amoy 21st, and
Swatow 22nd. Had moderate S.W. winds
and fine weather to Swatow, and from thence
fresh S.W. winds and squally weather, and
a strong current setting to E.N.E. In
Foochow: Stra. City of Baltimore, Argentine,
Brubans, Heating, Kjobenhavn, and barques
Ems, Wylo, and Mary Blair. In Amoy:
H.M.S. Growler, U.S.S. Alert, and S.S.
Fernow. In Swatow: Stra. Foochow,
Wenchow, Venterin, Cassandra, Alalanta,
Eign, and Kothung.

Shipping Intelligence.

The following corrected from the latest
London and Colonial Papers, &c:—

VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

AT HONGKONG.

When left. From.

Nov. 3, Elizabeth Shields, Hamburg

1, Glangaber, Flushing

25, G. B. S., Liverpool

Jan. 27, Earl of Devon, Antwerp

Mar. 28, Orsola, Liverpool

30, Bristolian (s.), Antwerp

Apr. 11, Hamburg, Hamburg

15, Little Parry, Antwerp</

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,

Established A.D. 1841.

香港大藥房

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
FAMILY & DISPENSING CHEMISTS,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,
IMPORTERS

DRUGGISTS' SURPLIES, NURSERY REQUISITES,
TOILET REQUISITES, ENGLISH,
AMERICAN, AND FRENCH PATENT
MEDICINES,
MANUFACTURERS

"Soda Water, Lemonade, Tonic Water,
Gingerade, Potass Water, Sarsaparilla
Water, and other Aerated Waters."
The Manufacture is under direct and
continuous European Supervision.
Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

The publication of this issue commenced
at 7.30 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 1878.

THE backslidings of Chinese mandarins, high and low, are so notoriously grievous and frequent that the acts of these official Shylocks are now almost beyond the pale of criticism or censure. Nevertheless a case of official rapacity is just reported from Tientsin which cannot be permitted to pass unnoticed. A correspondent of our morning contemporary at Shanghai writing from Tientsin under date of the 5th instant states that a Mr. Budd, one of the volunteer workers in the distribution of relief to the famine-stricken people in the North, had just returned to Tientsin without having completed the distribution of the money with which he had been entrusted. He had found that the Chinese officials who were appointed to assist him, of whom a Mr. Shu and a Mr. Shiao were the principal individuals, were compelling the people to return one fifth of the cash given them. The former of these two rascals ranks, it is said, as a district magistrate. A number of persons had even been severely beaten to compel them to return the money, and to enforce silence on their part. On establishing these facts beyond a doubt by investigation, Mr. Budd declined to act any longer with these officials and returned to Tientsin, where he placed the matter before Her Majesty's Consul, Mr. Forrest, who in return made representations on the subject to Li Hung Chang.

This "squeezing" of poor starving wretches by Messrs Shu and Shiao is, we fear, but significant of the way in which a large portion of the work of relief entrusted to native officials is being executed. Writing from the same port on the 12th April, a correspondent referred to the grievous complaints made of official peculation in connection with the grain forwarded into the famine-stricken districts, not more than one-third of the amount actually sent, it was said, ever reaching those for whom it was intended. The same matter has also formed the subject of several memorials and decrees published in the *Peking Gazette* since the organisation of measures of relief by the Chinese Government. In October of last year, for instance, a memorial appeared in the *Gazette* from one of the Peking officials stating that "manifest abuses were prevalent, such as the fabrication of fictitious lists of sufferers, the receipt of grants under false pretences, the production of lists in which the same individuals were made to figure over and over again, and the exaction of money payments for the entry of names." These memorials and complaints show pretty clearly that the ill wind of the famine has blown a very considerable amount of good, or rather profit, to some of the Chinese officials, if it has caused an incalculable amount of misery and suffering to the people. The wonder is that, with an administration composed perhaps mainly of officials of this stamp, the vast Empire of China has stood together as well as it has done. The fault is not possibly so much that of the officials themselves as that of the system under which they are appointed, and under which it must be well-nigh beyond the power of a mandarin to preserve his integrity, and at the same time live comfortably and maintain his dignity. There will have to be a mighty remodelling of the administrative system of China, from the office of the red-button mandarins down to those of their gold-button conferees, before China can hope to attain to the high position among nations that her population, territory, and buried wealth entitle her to hold.

It is satisfactory to know there is a prospect of these two Shylocks meeting with the punishment they deserve, for Li Hung-chang, who has busied himself most earnestly in forwarding relief to the sufferers, is not likely to overlook their offences. Accompanied by Shen Taotai Mr. Budd has again set out for the scene of his operations, and it is quite possible that summary justice will be dealt out to Messrs Shu and Shiao by way of example. While on the subject of the famine we may note that rain has lately fallen in abundance in the North, and that the prospects of good crops, and a cessation of the distress, are encouraging. What the loss of life by the recent famines is will never probably be even approximately ascertained. Now, however, we know that the mortality caused by the Indian famine was about 1,380,000, some idea can be formed of the vast loss

of life that must have taken place among the masses of suffering people away in the almost unknown and inaccessible regions of Shansi, Honan, Chihli and Shantung.

REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.

(SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL.")

(Per E. B. & C. Telegraph Co.'s Line.)

LONDON, 21st August, 1878.

Captain Sir George Nares has been appointed to the command of H. M. S. *Albatross* in a scientific Cruise to the South Pacific. The Lazis have refused to surrender Batum.

The Porte insists decisively upon the unreserved execution of the Treaty.

For the last paragraph of the Political Telegram issued to-day and dated London, 21st August, read—

The British and French Ambassadors at Constantinople have urged the Porte to insist decisively upon the unreserved execution of the Treaty.

[Corrected through a repetition of two words.]

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

It will be noticed with pleasure that Miss Eliza May has rejoined the Opera Company at present in Hongkong, and will appear as the Grand Duchess in a repetition of the "Grand Duchess of Gerolstein" announced for to-morrow night. The Company ought now to do well, and be able to fulfil the expectations originally formed of them.

Inquests were opened this afternoon at the Government Civil Hospital, before the Coroner (O. V. Cressag, Esq.), on the bodies of a Chinaman named Hi Ayow, who was accidentally drowned at the Cosmopolitan Dock, and Sardine, a Malay-quarter-master on board the S. S. *Albatross*. The following gentlemen comprised the jury—Messrs. A. E. Cope, J. E. Cox, and A. A. Cordelero. After hearing evidence as to the identity of the bodies, the inquest was adjourned until to-morrow.

At the Marine Court to-day Antonio Joseph, George Samson, Daniel Read, William Fergus, and Christian Williams, seamen British ship *Mary Fraser*, were charged with refusing to return on board their vessel after they had come on shore at their own request to see the Harbour Master. The 1st defendant denied that he refused to go on board, he was willing to do so but said he wanted his discharge; the others, still persisting in their refusal, were sent to three months' hard labour each at order of the Captain.

FUN ARREST: a coolie, was sentenced to-day to 21 days' hard labour for being found in unlawful possession of a spar. On entering the gaol he was asked to give up all the property he had about him. He pretended to have done so, and when stripped his queue was found to be inflated, and a piece of prepared opium was found concealed inside the plaits. Mr. Mulgrave, turnkey of the gaol, said that defendant had been in prison before, and therefore knew that he was committing a breach of the regulations. Defendant, with the usual astuteness of his race, said in defence, that he had forgotten that he had put the opium in his queue; he always kept his opium there for convenience sake. Mr. May fined him \$5 or 14 days' further imprisonment, for not having a more retentive memory.

THE *Overland China Mail*, for to-morrow's English Mail, contains—Editorial Articles, Public and Private Gambling, Civil Marriages, The Western Route, Another Railway in China, The Vicars and the Law, Emigration from Japan, Chinese in Cuba, Nipped in the Bud.—A Shipping Case, Current Topics, Chinese Notes, The Wanchai Murder, The Loss of the German barque *Emma*, The Wreck of the *Harlem*—What a Boat's Crew Experienced, The Straits, List of Canton Plants, Meetings, Correspondence, Marine Insurance, Chinese Coinage Difficulties, Alleged Threatening Aspect of Affairs in Japan, Manila, Police Intelligence, Supreme Court, Macao, Canton, Freights, Latest Router's Telegrams, Miscellaneous, Commercial Summary, and Shipping Intelligence.

THE Presentation Cup for the 23rd Regiment, which we mentioned last night as being on view at Sun Shing's shop, 64 Queen's Road Central, is a very handsome piece of plate. It stands about 2 ft. 8 inches high and is in the form of a punch bowl. The bowl rests on the hind legs of three animals remarkable for their ugliness, an ugliness which being very Chinese in its character is therefore unique. The handles of the bowl are formed of two dragons and the top of the bowl is surmounted by a bird with outstretched wings having a serpent in its mouth. The bird, we may suppose, is emblematical of the gallant 23rd having flown away from our midst. The Cup is alike a credit to

the donors and its designer. It is valued at \$500.

On the nights of Monday and Wednesday last an attack by an armed gang of thieves was anticipated at Sande's Slip Belcher's Bay; the Police having received timely warning took every possible precaution to prevent a surprise. It appears so far as we can learn that Mr. Cooke, the superintendent, had a large sum of money in his house, and this fact had got abroad. Whether or not the fears of an attack were well founded is likely to remain a mystery, as none was attempted. However that may be, too much praise cannot be afforded the police on this occasion for the very complete precautions they took to catch any one daring enough to have attempted it. A party of Europeans had assembled at Mr. Cooke's house, armed police were posted along the sides of the hills in the neighbourhood, the Government Steam-launch with police boats in tow was stationed under Green Island, signals having been previously agreed upon which should direct those on shore or vice versa what to do. The attack it appears was expected to be made by boat. All these preparations, however, turned out to be only a prevention, not a cure. It is a pity, that the expected rogues, whom rumour said would number over thirty men, did not turn up, as if they had put in an appearance they would have received such a warm reception that they would have had reason to remember for many a long day. Two of the Dock watchmen, mistaking some waving bushes to be approaching bands of robbers, fired into them, but fortunately only lopped off a few twigs. The police on the hill sides might, however, have fared badly by the excessive watchfulness of these watchers.

Police Intelligence.

(Before the Hon. C. May.)

23rd August, 1878.

CHENG APING, a servant, unemployed, who was charged yesterday with being found in the house of Mr. Travers, Bank Buildings, under suspicious circumstances, was to-day discharged by Mr. May, as a man came forward who substantiated part of his story.

JOHN COLLINS, seaman unemployed, was charged with being drunk and incapable. He having been two or three times charged with a similar offence, and being at present in receipt of relief from the gaol, Mr. May sentenced him to 14 days' hard labour.

CHING APING, a hawk unemployed, was charged by Inspector Thomson with being found in possession of a fighting iron at night, and being without light or pass. It appears that the Inspector had received information that an old woman at Sheung Ring Lane, Saypington, was about to be attacked and robbed by several armed men. The Inspector accordingly kept watch and saw the defendant at the Queen's Road end of the lane, and apprehended him, when the fighting iron alluded to above was found on him.

Defendant stated in defence that he had heard that a man was going to attack his mistress, who resided in a brothel, and he (defendant) therefore got the iron and went to Saypington, accompanied by a friend, in order to punish the miscreant, who was about to interfere with the lady. The lady in question appeared and said she was an inmate of a brothel. The defendant had been a very good friend to her for some years, as had also another man, and she had reason to suspect that this other man intended to give her trouble. The defendant, on hearing this, had promised to assist her. Defendant was fined \$10 or in default one month's hard labour, and at the expiration of his sentence was ordered to find security in one householder \$25 to be of good behaviour for 6 months.

LEONG FUK HI, a seaman unemployed, was charged with being found in unlawful possession of an anchor, weighing about 60 catties. Remanded until the 28th instant, in order to find the owner.

HO APO, and two others, hawking without a license. Fined 10 cents each.

HO APO, hawking, calling out his wares in the public street. Fined 10 cents.

NG A TAI, and four others, boatwomen, stealing fruit at Stone-cutter's Island. Fined 20 cents each.

CHUNG ASHANG, hawking fowls without a license. Fined 25 cents.

LI AON, hawking, fighting in the public streets. Fined 60 cents.

MU CHAI, shopman, Bonham Strand West, obstructing the footpath. Fined 50 cents.

CHU HI YAN, a coolie, fighting in the public streets. Fined 50 cents.

CHUNG ASAN, and another, barbers, fighting in the public streets. Fined 50 cents each.

UN LU, shopman, 76, Praya West, drying outside on Praya West, the obstruction of passengers. Fined \$5.

(Before C. V. Cressag, Esq.)

August 22, 1878.

PUBLIC GAMING.

CHUNG APING, a tailor, was charged with being connected with a gambling house at No. 8 Gilman's Bazaar.

Inspector Grimes deposed to having landed a party of men and proceeded to the house in question, armed with a warrant signed by the superintendent of Police. The house is a two-storied house. When the Inspector got to the first floor he saw the defendant standing at the head of the stairs. Defendant, the moment he saw the Inspector, called something, and at the

same time the trap door at the head of the stairs was dropped; defendant then tried to escape but was arrested by a lokong. It was found impracticable to force open the trap door, which was provided with a spring lock and a bar placed right across it; besides these precautions, a bamboo was made to stand upright between the roof and the trap door which the moment the door closed fell into its position. The sound of men escaping on the roof could be distinctly heard, and when an entry was at length effected, there was every evidence that gambling had been going on. A fan-tan square, 87 cents, 1100 cash, and three tables, one of which was covered with a mat, were discovered, everything being in much disorder as though hurriedly left. The defendant was the only man arrested, and clearly identified as the watchman of the house, by the informer.

Defendant said he went to the house with a friend to get out of the rain. He was a tailor by profession, but had forgotten the name of the shop at which he was employed.

Mr. Cressag fined him \$20 or 2 months' hard labour.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, August 23, 1878.

SIR,—As a very common tutor I thank "Justice" for calling attention to Mr. Hayt's want of courtesy.

It is not the first time that he has kept Judge and Jury awaiting his pleasure without receiving any reprimand whatever, but then of course it must be remembered that he is a most important "link" or factor in the case before the Court; and besides what judge could reprimand one with manners so bland, demeanour so modest and soft; and what feelings of annoyance would not be soothed by the subtle influence of his lily-white hand so gracefully "posed" or caressing his frosted, silken head.

Yours &c.

A JUROR.

A CURIOUS CUSTOM.—The *Spectator*, in a recent review of "Robert Raikes, Journalist and Philanthropist," by Alfred Gregory (Hodder and Stoughton), has the following:—"We notice, as a curious instance of changed manners, that towards the close of the last century it was the custom at Manchester for the chief magistrate of the town, attended by the churchwarden and police officers, to go out of the church while the first lesson was being read, and to compel all persons found in the streets to come into the church or pay a fee, which in the case of persons of the lower class was fixed at one shilling, and for those of higher rank at half-a-crown."

A CHINESE SUICIDE.—A Chinaman named Ah Tack is reported by the *Bullard Courier* to have committed suicide last Wednesday under very singular circumstances. Ah Tack was a hawker, residing at Stiglitz, and thinking a short time ago of returning to the "flowery land," he opened negotiations with a countryman named Hoy Hue for the purchase of his effects and business.

Hoy Hue went about with Ah Tack in order to learn his rounds for nearly six weeks, but at the end of that time the wily Hoy Hue declined to proceed further in the matter, and demanded 10s. per day for the time he had spent with Ah Tack, who very naturally refused his modest request. Hoy Hue, however, brought the matter before a select committee of Celestials, who decided that Ah Tack should pay him 25, and informed Mr. Ah Tack that in default he would be burned down, and that the first time the devil met him in the bush he would certainly hang him. Ah Tack thereupon, rather than pay the penalty imposed, yesterday, when in Mr. Hollander's shop, served himself with a large helping of opium from a jar containing about 25s. worth of that drug. Mr. Hollander observed him immediately sent for the police, who on arrival, were obliged to handcuff Ah Tack for fear that he had not swallowed enough poison, he kept sucking his fingers to get off any that might be on them. He was taken to the hospital, where the stomach pump was tried, but, owing to the sticky nature of the poison, it proved of no avail, and he died about ten minutes after he was admitted. Ah Tack had no reason to fear poverty should he pay the 25, for he is known to be the possessor of a house, 2300 in cash, and bank deposits to the extent of £1000.

COMMERCIAL.

The quiet tone of the market for Bengal Opium, last noted, has since continued. Patna, however, has been dealt in to a pretty fair extent, with but a slight variation in the rate for it. With the near approach of the arrival of the first supply of less old drug, holders of the present stock have more readily met buyers latterly, whereby the rate has weakened for the drug. The future course of the market for old stock does not promise well, and it is not unlikely a much lower range of prices will have to be submitted to. A smaller business has been done in Benares, as compared with that of the previous fortnight, for local requirements. The present quotations are \$624 to \$688 for Patna, and \$680 to \$684 for Benares. The receipts for the month, so far, aggregate 8,818 chests, against 8188 chests to the corresponding date last year. During the interval under notice some 880 chests have been taken by the local consumers, against a similar quantity at the corresponding period last year. This, with the exportations, leaves the available supply computed at 2,700 chests, against 1,250 chests same time last year. Of this last quantity 200 chests were Benares, of which kind the present stock comprises 800 chests.

MESSRS HEINEMANN & Co.'s Freight Circular for the Mail of Saturday, 24th August, says:—

During the past fortnight business has revived a little from the dull state so long existing, but though there has been a fair demand for tonnage and the number of disengaged vessels has considerably lessened, yet there is no improvement to notice in the rates of freight paid.

Homewards, demand has been principally for New York, but the freights paid are reported to be very low, say—18/ to 19/ sterling per ton of 16 feet to New York, and 20/ per ton of 20 cwt. to London. The berth is now well supplied and inquiry is again dull. From the Philippines advice is discouraging, plenty of "seeking" vessels being available there.

Coastwise, a small business has been done for the Cebu China ports at low rates, but better business was looked for

shortly as Native charterers must soon come on the market for tonnage for the Northern Ports. The Southern Rice Ports are utterly neglected; employment for steamers is difficult to find and then only at exceedingly low freights.

The Indian barque *Elvetic*, 646 tons, has taken the berth for San Francisco, and the American barque *Benefactor*, 596 tons, will load for New York.

The British barque *Per Ardua*, 787 tons, left for Valparaiso under orders from home. The French barque *Marie Louise*, 484 tons, left for Chafco, the German brig *Rebecca*, 286 tons, for Takao, the British barque *Queen of the Seas*, 442 tons, for Singapore, and the American ship *Alice D. Cooper*, 1,863 tons, cleared for Vancouver's Island "seeking." The British barque *Glamorganshire*, 771 tons, will load at Kobe for Europe, and the British ship *Troville*, 1,287 tons, in Java, both under charter effected at home. The British ship *The Tweed*, 1,745 tons, is under orders from home to proceed to Singapore. The American barque *Ceylon*, 681 tons, proceeds to Nagasaki, having been chartered to load there for Yokohama.

The disengaged tonnage in port amounts to 31 vessels, registering 23,176 tons, steamers not included.

The following are the settlements:—

British ship *Bertie Biglow*, 1142, to London, private.

American barque *Lottie Moore*, 881, to New York, private.

American barque *Albert Russell*, 762, to New York, private.

American ship *Sumner R. Mead*, 1117, to New York, private.

British barque *Athene*, 608, to New York, private.

British barque *Sarah Bell*, 812, to San Francisco, private.

British barque *Kate Tatham*, 275, Fochow to Sydney, 2725 in full.

British barque *Hawthorne*, 286, Whampoa to Tientsin and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 42 cents per picul, 38 lay days.

German barque *Marco Polo*, 558, Whampoa to Tientsin and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 42 cents per picul, 38 lay days.

German barque *Carl*, 215, Whampoa to Tientsin and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 45 cents per picul, 32 lay days.

German brig *Sophie*, 300, Whampoa to Tientsin and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 45 cents per picul, 34 lay days.

German barque *Papa*, 391, to Chafco and back, 17 cents per picul, if back via Newchwang, 22 cents per picul, 30 lay days.

German barque *Manila* 11, 615, to Shanghai (coal), \$1.70 per ton of 20 cwt., and Newchwang to Hongkong, 18 cents per picul, 30 lay days.

German barque *Herman*, 444, Newchwang to Hongkong, 21 cents per picul, 30 lay days.

Siamese barque *Thoon Kramom*, 474, Newchwang to Hongkong, 17 cents per picul, 35 lay days.

German barque *Friedrich*, 524, Newchwang to Swatow, 18 cents per picul, 30 lay days.

Italian barque *Bianca Petrica*, 668, Nagasaki to Hongkong (coal), \$1.75 per ton of 20 cwt., 20 lay days.

British ship *Fontenay*, 686, Nagasaki to Hongkong (coal), \$1.80 per ton of 20 cwt., 20 lay days.

British barque *Marquis of Argyll*, 500, to Haiphong and Toulon and back to Hongkong, \$2,600 in full, 50 lay days.

British barque *Phaeton*, 576, Phan-tik Bay (Cochin China) to Hongkong, \$1,900 in full, 40 lay days.

British barque *Jessie Jamieson*, 604, Quinhon and Coomung to Hongkong, \$2,100 in full, 35 lay days.

German barque *Geoline Brons*, 402, Quinhon and back, 18 cents per picul, 30 lay days.

German barque *Malvina*, 479, Waiglan to Hongkong, \$1,900 in full, 35 lay days.

British steamer *Killarney*, 1080, to Singapore and Penang, \$3,700 in full.

Spanish steamer *Zamboanga*, 651, to Singapore and Penang, \$3,700 in full, 18 lay days.

Dutch steamer *Java*, 883, to Singapore and Penang, \$3,000 in full.

German steamer *Bellona*, 780, to Saigon and Mantong and back to Hongkong, \$3,000 in full, 14 lay days.

German steamer *Quinta*, 864, to Saigon and Mantong and back to Hongkong, \$3,500 in full, 16 lay days.

MESSRS DEACON & Co.'s Canton Market Report, dated Canton, 22nd August, says:—

A fair business still continues in our Tea market, Scented Capers again commanding chief attention.

Congruis.—A few settlements on this market are reported at former prices, and from Macao shipments of common teas have been made to some extent.

Scented Teas.—The enquiry for Capers has been maintained, and a fair amount of transactions have resulted. A further advance of about one tael has been established for all fine teas, and the few parcels to be met with are readily taken; medium and good medium kinds have also been in request, and these teas must also be quoted about half a tael to one tael dearer than they were a fortnight back. Common teas have not been offered in any quantity, but a few purchases are reported at full rates, when quality is taken into consideration.

In Pekoe, business has been at former quotations for all kinds, but at the close there is a firmer tendency for medium "long leaf" kinds. The stock offering is but moderate, and comprises chiefly teas of indifferent quality.

The following is a summary of the fortnight's business:—

Congou, 1,400 boxes at Tls. 12 a 24 per picul; Scented Capers, 81,200 boxes at Tls. 12 a 28 per picul; Scented Orange Pekoe, 4,780 boxes at Tls. 12 a 81 per picul.

Export of the various descriptions of Teas shipped from Canton Waters, (Hongkong, Canton and Macao) to Great Britain to date:—August 5, S. S. *Heetor*, Congou 258,131 lbs., S. O. 202,776 lbs., S. O. Pekoe 59,048 lbs., total 524,955 lbs.

Making, with previous shipments, a total for the season of 9,418,618 lbs.; against 8,768,888 for season 1877-78.

SLA.—In the early part of the fortnight there was hardly any demand, but latterly there has been a moderate enquiry for this article, resulting in settlement of 450 bales of Teasels reel purchases have been effected at a decline of \$5 to \$10 per picul on last quoted rates. Owing to the prevalence lately of heavy rains here and in the neighbourhood, arrivals have been coming forward in a more than usually wet state. Reports regarding the extent of the fourth yield are conflicting, the estimate being variously put at from 2,800 to 3,800 bales.

Long-teels have not been much wanted, settlements of Soulang and other sorts for the Indian market are said to be 70 piculs.

Re-teels have been in good request, and all grades have been booked, under contract, at former rates, settlements are 700 boxes; the quality lately of the lower classes of Cumohuk and Lucklow appear to be somewhat deficient.

Stock is computed at 2,500 bales Teasels, 100 bales Kwong, 150 bales Cumohuk and Lucklow, and about 300 bales of inferior sorts.

Waste.—Settlements 300 bales.

Export of Silk.—Report to date:—To London, 1455 bales; to Continent, 1625 bales; to America, 302 boxes; to Bombay, 891 piculs;—total, 3090 bales, 802 boxes, and 801 piculs. Of Waste, 1725 bales and Pierced Cocoons 93 bales for Europe.

QUOTATIONS.

Teasels,.....Curio, \$490

.....No. 1, \$440

.....".....2, \$420

.....".....3, \$405

.....".....4, \$390

Cumohuk=Lucklow, —\$410

Re-teeled Cumohuk, —\$525

.....Lucklow —\$525

.....No. 1, \$500

.....".....2, \$480

.....".....3, \$460

.....Cote-og-own, —\$500

.....".....2, \$560

Waste Silk,.....No. 1, \$81

.....".....2, \$71

Cocoons Pierced,.....1, \$82

SETTLEMENTS FOR THE FORTNIGHT.

1878-79.

Mails.



STEAM FOR

Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle, Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean Ports, Southampton, and London direct.

ALSO,

Bombay, Madras, Calcutta, and Australia.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship **PEKIN**, Captain W. WOOLCOTT, will leave this on SATURDAY, the 24th August, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. LIND, Superintendent.
Hongkong, August 12, 1878. au24

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer **CITY OF PEKING** will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 24th instant, at 3 o'clock p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

A REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER CENT. on regular rates is granted to OFFICERS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY, AND MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL AND CONSULAR SERVICES IN COMMISSION.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., of 23rd instant. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 8, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, August 8, 1878. au24

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE,

ADEN, SUERZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLES;

ALSO, BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND PORT LOUIS.

ON SATURDAY, the 31st August, 1878, at Noon, the Company's S. S. **DIEMERNAH**, Commandant Meyer, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 30th August, 1878. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office,
H. DE POUEY, Agent.
Hongkong, August 21, 1878. au31

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE,

IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL

AND UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES

AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "BELGIO" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, the 11th September, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 10th September. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PASSAGE TICKETS.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 8, Praya Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.
Hongkong, August 16, 1878. au16

Intimations.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

HENRY B. HYDE, President.
J. W. ALEXANDER, Vice-President.
SAMUEL BORROW, Secretary.
A. A. HAYES, Jr., General Manager, for China and Japan.

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OLYPHANT & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, January 21, 1878.

W. BALL,
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PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG,
Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf.
Hongkong, July 13, 1878.

AFONG,
by appointment, to

H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,
H. E. ADMIRAL ALFRED P. RYDER,

and to
H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA.

THE above has pleasure to inform the public of Hongkong that he has obtained the assistance of Mr. Griffith (for many years manager and principal operator to Mr. Saunders of Shanghai), and having carefully arranged the light of his New Studio and secured the newest and best appliances for obtaining the highest excellence in his work, he is now ready to produce all the latest Novelties in Photographic Portraiture.—A large and varied Assortment of Views always ready. Superior Enlargements made at shortest notice.

STUDIO, QUEEN'S ROAD,
Nearly opposite The Hongkong Hotel.
Hongkong, July 9, 1878.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 88.

CHINA SEA.

PACIFIC RIVER—TIENTSIN DISTRICT.

Taku Bar Light.

NOTICE is hereby given that, on the 4th instant, a Fixed WHITE LIGHT was Exhibited, and will continue to be shown, on the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company's Hulk "Aden," now moored outside the Taku Bar in 17 feet low water ordinary springs.

The Light, which is dioptric, is 36 feet above the water line, and should be visible 10 miles on clear nights.

Latitude 38° 53' N.
Longitude 117° 50' 30" E.
The Red Buoy, which is distant 3½ miles, bears N. 35° W.

By order of the Inspector General of Customs,

GERALD E. WELLESLEY,
Acting Engineer-in-Chief.

Imperial Maritime Customs,
Engineer's Office,
Shanghai, August 12, 1878. au1

Insurance.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELOHRS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company,
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Insurances against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Insurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1887.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above-named Company, are prepared to grant Insurances against FIRE on Buildings and on Goods to the extent of \$50,000, at the usual Rates, subject to an immediate Discount of 20 per cent.

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MEYER & Co.,
Hongkong, August 15, 1878.

Insurance.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTREY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

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PERMANENT RESERVE—Tls. 230,000
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND—Tls. 104,000

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RUSSELL & Co.,
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Hongkong, May 10, 1878. au1

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World.

In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premiums contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1800.
CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE COMPANY.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.
Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, July 25, 1874.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, October 14, 1880.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Flag.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Albany	5 h	F. Ashton	Brit. str.	366	Aug. 22	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Holhow	26th inst.
Amoy	4 c	Peters	Brit. str.	814	Aug. 22	Stemmen & Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Benlodi	5 c	Buchanan	Brit. str.	999	Aug. 17	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	London, &c.	To-day
Bombay	4 c	Webb	Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Achong	Sandwich	Slip
Cheung Hook Kian	2 h	Webb	Brit. str.	366	Aug. 21	Bun Hin & Co.	Swatow and Amoy	To-day
City of Peking	5 c	Cavalry	Amer. str.	6079	Aug. 17	P. M. S. S. Co.	Yama & S. F. P.	To-morrow
Conquest	5 h	Scott	Brit. str.	317	Aug. 19	Kwong Lee Yuen	Holhow & Haiphong	at daylight
Dale	2 h	Thompson	Brit. str.	654	Aug. 16	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	26th inst.
Douglas	5 h	Pittman	Brit. str.	884	Aug. 23	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Coast Ports	Tug Flying
Fame	6 h	Shopani	Brit. str.	117	Aug. 15	R. K. & W. pos Dock Co.	Singapore and Penang	31st inst.
Java	2 c	Weber	Dut. str.	886	Aug. 15	Kwong Wing Shun	Singapore and Penang	31st inst.
Kienchow	2 h	Smith	Brit. str.	1060	Aug. 6	Hop Kee	Singapore and Penang	31st inst.
Killarney	5 c	O'Neill	Brit. str.	1709	Aug. 20	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Malta
Mayenne	3 h	Yun Chun Yen	Anna. str.	1247	Aug. 22	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Australian Ports	26th, noon
Monmair	4 c	Darke	Brit. str.	862	Aug. 21	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Coast Ports	To-morrow
Namoa	5 h	Westoby	Brit. str.	606	Aug. 28	Kwok Achong	Swatow, &c.	To-morrow
Norna	3 h	Wagel	Ger. str.	791	Aug. 19	Kwok Achong	Swatow, &c.	To-morrow
Olympia	6 c	Woolcott	Brit. str.	2098	Aug. 21	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Swatow, &c.	To-morrow
Quinta	5 c	Hays	Ger. str.	874	Aug. 11	Sooy Shing	Swatow, &c.	To-morrow
Quinta	5 c	Thomson	Ger. str.	874	Aug. 11	Sooy Shing	Swatow, &c.	To-morrow
Sea Gull	6 h	Roberts	Amer. str.	48	July 18	W. H. Ray	Tamsui, &c.	26th inst.
Taiwan	4 c	Young	Brit. str.	408	Aug. 20	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Singapore and Penang	To-morrow
Zamboanga	4 c	Aranguren	Span. str.	651	July 29	Hop Kee	Singapore and Penang	To-morrow
Sailing Vessels								
Albert Russell	3 c	Carver	Amer. bge.	762	July 15	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	Cleared
Albion's Isle	2 h	Burgess	Brit. bge.	360	Aug. 16	Rozario & Co.	Vancouver's Island	Cleared
Alce D. Cooper	5 c	Humphrey	Amer. sh.	1363	July 24	Captain	New York	Cleared
Alva	3 c	Souza	Port. sh.	531	July 16	Brandao & Co.	New York	Cleared
Arabia	3 c	Klagenfoth	Brit. sh.	1183	Aug. 2	P. & O. S. N. Co.	New York	Cleared
Athene	4 c	Sindley	Brit. bge.	605	July 15	Olyphant & Co.	New York	Cleared
Balaury	3 h	Kinmond	Brit. bge.	476	Aug. 22	Stemmen & Co.	New York	Cleared
Bonafactor	4 h	Hayden	Amer. bge.	696	Aug. 2	Russell & Co.	New York	Cleared
Bortle Biglow	3 h	Ferguson	Brit. sh.	1142	July 29	Meyer & Co.	London	Cleared
Bianca Perica	2 h	Tancredi	Ital. bge.	666	Aug. 6	D. Musso & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Bua Cano	2 h	Laugel	Slam. bge.	838	July 25	Yuen Fat Hong	Nagasaki	Cleared
Bua Pan	2 c	Möller	Slam. sh.	574	July 29	Kin-ye-long	Nagasaki	Cleared
Carl Ritter	5 h	Täger	Ger. bge.	698	Aug. 19	Stemmen & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Ostharina	4 h	Sobulte	Ger. bge.	344	Aug. 18	Eduard Schellhaus & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Centennial	5 h	Barrow	Amer. sh.	1286	Aug. 21	Butterfield & Swire	Nagasaki	Cleared
Ceylon	3 h	Kelly	Amer. bge.	681	Aug. 5	Olyphant & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Charité	1 h	Hervé	Foh. bge.	256	Aug. 23	Carlowitz & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Charlotte Andrews	3 c	Place	Brit. bge.	356	June 19	Rozario & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Cocoran	3 h	Barrow	Amer. sch.	188	July 18	W. H. Ray	Nagasaki	Cleared
Cordouane	3 h	Berlaud	Foh. bge.	469	Aug. 19	Carlowitz & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Corrientes	7 c	Jones	Brit. bge.	698	Aug. 1	Olyphant & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Dartmouth	7 h	Robertson	Brit. bge.	915	Aug. 6	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Dharwar	1 c	Freebody	Brit. sh.	1800	Aug. 17	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Dirigo	3 c	Staples	Amer. bge.	684	July 14	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Echo	4 h	Olsson	Ger. bge.	360	Aug. 4	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Elisabeth	4 h	Fondini	Ital. bge.	447	Aug. 4	Wieser & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Elvicio	4 h	Fondini	Ital. bge.	646	Aug. 2	D. Musso & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Faugh Balaugh	3 h	Rute	Ger. bge.	240	Aug. 20	Carlowitz & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Fontenay	3 h	Taylor	Brit. sh.	635	July 22	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Forward	7 h	Vandervord	Brit. bge.	744	Aug. 21	Rozario & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Franklin	7 h	Bruneau	Foh. bge.	553	Aug. 2	Meyer & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Glamorganshire	7 h	McBachern	Brit. bge.	456	Aug. 2	H. Kier & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Glamorganshire	7 h	Riches	Brit. sh.	771	Aug. 7	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Globe	2 h	Bukott	Slam. bge.	427	Aug. 19	Ohlsson	Nagasaki	Cleared
Golf	1 h	Deutsau	Slam. bge.	542	July 11	Ohlsson	Nagasaki	Cleared
H. Frantsen	3 h	Schoenemann	Ger. bge.	553	Aug. 8	Melchorn & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Hermann	3 h	Schmidt	Ger. bge.	444	Aug. 16	Wieser & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Highlander	1 h	Hutchinson	Amer. sh.	1352	June 19	Captain	Nagasaki	Cleared
John Jamieson	4 c	West	Brit. bge.	604	July 29	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Josephus	3 c	Rogers	Amer. sh.	1470	July 15	Russell & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Kate Tatham	4 c	Pikebely	Brit. bge.	275	July 4	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Kenton	8 c	Colvin	Brit. bge.	687	June 8	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Landseer	7 c	Knowles	Amer. sh.	1418	July 23	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Lodere	2 h	Jones	Brit. sh.	880	June 19	Meyer & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Lottie Moore	8 c	Hudson	Amer. bge.	880	July 22	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Madeleine	4 c	Pateau	Foh. bge.	418	July 22	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Manila II	4 c	Gönnér	Ger. bge.	515	Aug. 5	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Maritime Union	7 c	Elliot	Brit. sh.	1500	Aug. 22	Order	Nagasaki	Cleared
Marquis of Argyll	5 h	McKeon	Brit. bge.	500	June 26	Rozario & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Mary Fraser	1 c	Dexter	Brit. sh.	1174	Aug. 11	Order	Nagasaki	Cleared
May	4 c	Plumley	Brit. 3m.c.	237	Aug. 4	Olyphant & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
McNear	7 c	Taylor	Amer. sh.	1806	July 22	Butterfield & Swire	Nagasaki	Cleared
Moneta	7 c	Bisset	Brit. bge.	621	Aug. 1	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Monst Glen	4 c	Osborn	Brit. bge.	549	May 29	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Oscar	3 c	Winthorst	Ger. bge.	739	July 5	Melchers & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Penrith	2 h	Wrighton	Brit. bge.	549	July 29	Melchers & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Pi De Ma De	2 c	Jarvis	Slam. bge.	455	Aug. 11	Kin-ye-long	Nagasaki	Cleared
Prince Amadeo	8 c	Luskall	Brit. sh.	1602	July 30	Messageries Maritimes	Nagasaki	Cleared
Prince Louis	7 c	Moore	Brit. sh.	1329	July 29	Olyphant & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Repla	2 h	Hinsbrink	Slam. bge.	462	Aug. 5	Ohlsson	Nagasaki	Cleared
Rosie Welk	3 c	Welt	Amer. sh.	840	Aug. 21	Captain	Nagasaki	Cleared
S. Vaughan	3 c	Porter	Brit. sh.	912	Aug. 26	Meyer & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Sarah Bell	4 c	Ditchburn	Brit. bge.	812	July 16	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Silas Fish	4 c	Williams	Amer. bge.	702	May 12	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Sir Charles Napier	3 c	French	Brit. sh.	1161	May 27	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Sir Harry Parkes	2 c	Chapman	Brit. sh.	816	May 22	Meyer & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
St. Anne	4 h	Kadosac	Foh. bge.	287	Aug. 7	Carlowitz & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Ste. Adresse	1 h	Leroy	Foh. bge.	590	Aug. 7	Carlowitz & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Sumatra	3 h	Clough	Amer. sh.	1090	Sept. 5	Russell & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Sumner R. Mead	4 c	Dixon	Amer. sh.	1117	July 15	Russell & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Ta Hong Kong	1 c	Buttmann	Slam. sh.	636	July 6	Yuen Fat Hong	Nagasaki	Cleared
Taunton	4 c	Armstrong	Brit. sh.	687	Aug. 4	Stemmen & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Tue Watt	1 h	d'Argence	Slam. bge.	1000	Aug. 8	Ohlsson	Nagasaki	Cleared
The Tweed	7 c	Bice	Brit. sh.	1745	July 15	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Towbridge	7 c	Stapledon	Brit. sh.	1287	Aug. 19	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Tyburnia	4 h	Golder	Brit. bge.	948	June 19	Olyphant & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Varna	3 h	Sachan	Ger. bge.	486	Aug. 22	Wieser & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Venus	3 h	Ribeiro	Port. bge.	402	Aug. 7	Remedios & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
William Turner	4 h	Vandervord	Brit. bge.	431	Aug. 4	Rozario & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
WHAMPOA								
Carl	1	Thomson	Ger. bge.	215	Aug. 16	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Christian	1	Kossov	Ger. sch.	250	Aug. 13	Wieser & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Florida Nightingale	1	McIntyre	Brit. bge.	494	Aug. 18	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Rawthorn	1	Mead	Brit. bge.	296	Aug. 20	Wieser & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Marco Polo	1	Brechwaldt	Ger. bge.	558	Aug. 17	Wieser & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Sophie	1	Ginge	Ger. bge.	210	Aug. 23	Wieser & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
CANTON								
Ningpo	1	Cass	Brit. str.	751	Aug. 22	Stemmen & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Yangtze	1	Schultz	Brit. str.	782	Aug. 21	Stemmen & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared